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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6951

BILL NUMBER: SB 306

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 25, 2011

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Boat Patrol Grants.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Buck

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State & Local

Summary of Legislation: *Requesting a Grant.* This bill provides that, for purposes of applying for a grant from the counties with special boat patrol needs fund, a fiscal body of a county may submit an estimated budget request to the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) if the county sheriff does not request a grant.

Itemized Receipts. The bill provides that itemized receipts of expenditures of granted money must be submitted for inspection by the DNR upon request.

County Audit. Upon request of the DNR, the county auditor shall conduct an audit of an account in which the grant money was deposited.

Minimum Qualifications. All individuals providing law enforcement services funded by a grant, whether under the authority of the county sheriff or contracted by the fiscal body, must meet certain minimum law enforcement training requirements.

Effective Date: July 1, 2011.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill will have no significant impact on the DNR.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: *Itemized Receipts.* The impact of providing itemized receipts of expenditures of granted money upon request of the DNR will depend on the record-keeping at the local level.

County Audit. Upon request of the DNR, the county auditor shall conduct an audit of an account in which the grant money was deposited. This provision could increase administrative expenses for the county auditor. The impact will vary from county to county.

Minimum Qualifications. Requiring that individuals providing law enforcement services funded by a grant must meet certain training requirements could result in an increase in expenditures for counties if the minimum requirements reduce the pool of applicants and increase the compensation required.

Explanation of Local Revenues: *Requesting a Grant.* This bill provides that a county fiscal body may submit an estimated budget request to the DNR if the county sheriff does not request a grant. This provision could result in counties receiving a grant that might not otherwise receive one. The specific impact will depend on local action.

State Agencies Affected: DNR.

Local Agencies Affected: Counties eligible for special boat patrol grants.

Information Sources: DNR.

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